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I verily believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor of the invention entitled: MARINE SAFETY LADDER APPARATUS described and claimed in the attached specification; that pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.78 this application discloses and claims subject matter disclosed in my earlier filed pending application, Serial No. 60/444,572 filed February 3, 2003 for MARINE SAFETY LADDER APPARATUS; that I understand the content of the attached specification; that I do not know and do not believe the same was ever known or used in the United States of America before my invention thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before my invention thereof or more than one year prior to this application; that the same was not in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application; that the invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America or an application filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to this application, that I acknowledge my duty to disclose to the Office all information of which I am aware which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the filing date of this application; that no application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention has been filed in any country foreign to the United States of America prior to this application by me or my legal representatives or assigns; and that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to in the oath or declaration.

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